

RECYCLING MARKET DEVELOPMENT ZONE (RMDZ)

Financial and Technical Assistance for Chula Vista Businesses

Companies that manufacture products made all or in part of recycled content may qualify for a package of incentives offered under the Chula Vista / South San Diego Recycling Market Development Zone (RMDZ). The Chula Vista / South San Diego RMDZ covers the entire City of Chula Vista, allowing any eligible Chula Vista manufacturer using recyclables or any eligible Chula Vista company diverting waste from landfills benefits such as:

- Low interest loans
- Feedstock identification
- Permit processing assistance
- Marketing assistance
- Other financial / technical assistance

INCENTIVES

RMDZ incentives complement the region's well-developed recycling infrastructure as well as the many business assistance programs already offered by the City of Chula Vista, including site selection assistance, no-cost workforce services and supplier / customer linkage projects.

Recycling Market Development Zone (RMDZ) Loans

Companies that use recycled or recovered materials in their manufacturing process are eligible for loans for up to 50% of the cost of a project, not to exceed \$2 million. These low interest/ fixed rate loans are often below loan rates from traditional banking institution or the Small Business Association (SBA). Monies may be used for the purchase of equipment or machinery, the purchase or lease of buildings or for working capital.

FeedStock Identification

Chula Vista and regional San Diego recycling officials work aggressively with RMDZ companies to identify long-term, stable sources of recyclable materials that can be used in their manufacturing processes.

Marketing

Available only to RMDZ companies, *RecycleStore.com* is a website that serves to aid in the marketing of recycled-content products (RCPs). *RecycleStore.com* has made a significant increase in the purchase of RCPs from member companies by reaching wholesale and individual buyers.

For more information, contact

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Integrated Waste Management Board
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The California Recycling Market Development Zone (RMDZ) program was created to encourage California companies to start or expand the use of recycled materials in the manufacturing process. With over 40 zones in existence, the RMDZ is an example of how state and local governments are working together to assist business.

The Chula Vista / South San Diego RMDZ is a joint effort of the City of Chula Vista, the City and County of San Diego, the Otay Mesa Chamber of Commerce, the San Diego Economic Development Corporation and the California Integrated Waste Management Board.

